

Amendments to the Abstract

Replace the abstract with the following replacement abstract:

~~The invention relates to a~~ A locking ring for axially fixing a shaft part (3) in a ring part (1). ~~The locking ring (5) has first partial areas (56, 57, 51, 53) which resiliently engage in the an inner groove (21) of the ring part. after resiliently pressing together the locking ring (5) so that it can be placed in the inner opening (21) of the ring part (1), pushing the safety ring (5) into the area of the inner groove (4) and releasing and resiliently placing the locking ring (5)[[.]]~~ The locking ring also has second partial areas (52, 54, 55) that project from the inner groove (21) once the safety ring (5) has been placed in the inner groove (21) therein. and which The second partial areas are resiliently pushed outward in a ~~phase (7)~~ section of the shaft part (3) which has been pushed into the an inner opening (2) of the ring part so that the safety locking ring (5) can slide on the periphery of the shaft part (3) until ~~it the ring reaches the area of the a~~ peripheral groove (4) and the in the shaft part. The second partial areas (52, 54, 55) then resiliently snap onto ~~said the~~ peripheral groove to axially fix the shaft part in the ring part.

For the examiner's convenience, a clean text version of the replacement abstract (121 words) is presented below:

A locking ring for axially fixing a shaft part in a ring part has first partial areas which resiliently engage in an inner groove of the ring part. The locking ring has second partial areas that project from the inner groove once the ring has been placed therein. The second partial areas are resiliently pushed outward in a section of the shaft part which has been pushed into an inner opening of the ring part so that the locking ring can slide on the periphery of the shaft part until the ring reaches a peripheral groove in the shaft part. The second partial areas then resiliently snap onto the peripheral groove to axially fix the shaft part in the ring part.